

State of South Carolina

Governor's Proclamation

WHEREAS, earthquakes can pose a threat to the residents of South Carolina and their property; and

WHEREAS, an earthquake similar in intensity to the one that occurred in 1886 with an epicenter near Charleston would today be catastrophic in nature and would cause great loss of life and destruction of property; and

WHEREAS, because earthquakes can occur any time of the year in South Carolina, the theme of the 2003 observance of Earthquake Awareness Week is "Every Season is Earthquake Season;" and

WHEREAS, public awareness of the earthquake threat and an understanding of earthquake preparations can help save lives and property.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mark Sanford, Governor of the Great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim November 2 - 6, 2003, as

EARTHQUAKE AWARENESS WEEK

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to join in this effort to increase awareness of earthquake safety, to participate in the 2003 Statewide Earthquake Drill on November 5, and to help further statewide preparedness and education.



A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mark Sanford".

MARK SANFORD
GOVERNOR
STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA